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DELIVERY USING HPMC CAPSULES:

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Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2002 and is being submitted with a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and the appropriate fee extending the date for a response to September 26, 2002. Should an additional fee be due, please charge Deposit Account Number 23, 0455. In view of the following remarks, Applicants submit that the Application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Please amend the specification as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 4 between the paragraphs ending on line 14 and beginning on line 15, please insert the following paragraph:

In one embodiment of the present invention, the coating may be applied

separately to empty HPMC capsule body and cap. In another embodiment the HPMC

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